

**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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Title

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REPRODUCING METHOD

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB/17)  
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2. ☒ Specification Total Sheets **100**

3. ☒ Formal Drawing(s)  
(35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets **32**

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a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d))  
(for continuation / divisional w/ box 17 completed)

i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in  
the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §1.63(d)(2) and  
1.33(b).

5. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer  
Program (*Appendix*)

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(if applicable, all necessary)

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ii. ☐ Paper

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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

7. ☒ Assignment Papers were recorded at Reel 009986  
Frame 0467.

8. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

9. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)

10. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)

Information Disclosure  
Statement (IDS) ☐ Copies of IDS  
PTO-1449 (1 page) - COPY Citations  
PTO-892 (2 pages) - COPY

11. ☒ Preliminary Amendment

12. ☒ White Advance Serial No. Postcard

13. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)

14. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27

15. ☒ Other: Request for Priority

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application no.: 09/651,295

Prior application information: Examiner: Thai Tran

Group Art Unit: 2615

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered a part of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

18. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

☒ This application is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of application Serial No. 09/651,295 filed on August 30, 2000, which is a division of application Serial No. 09/311,272 filed on May 14, 1999, both of which are being incorporated herein by reference.

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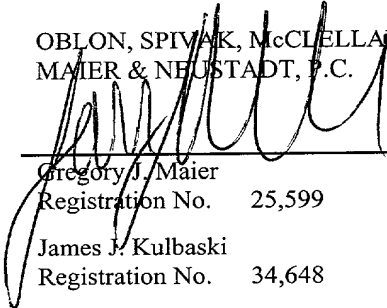
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